

Within her 6 years of service as a Colorado State senator, Senator Tanner sponsored legislation on key issues such as marital discrimination in the workplace and worked tirelessly for civil rights for women and minorities and parental rights for adoptive parents. She was one of six legislators selected to serve on the powerful joint budget committee. In serving on the JBC, Senator Tanner secured a quarter of a million dollars to help restore the town of Dearfield, CO, which was originally created to assist former slaves and their families. She was a strong legislative advocate for women and children throughout her service as a senator.

In retirement, Senator Tanner continues to serve the public. In 2001, she established the Senator Gloria Tanner Leadership and Training Institute for Future Black Women Leaders of Colorado, FBWLOC. Senator Tanner believes the institute is “essential to the well-being and growth of our community” to identify, prepare, educate, and encourage Black women to take on leadership roles in the public and private sectors.

Senator Tanner’s contributions to our community and State are abundant and unprecedented. Through all of her life experiences, she has continued to serve the American people with unwavering integrity and grace. A recipient of the Martin Luther King Humanitarian Award, her success is immeasurable.

We all owe a debt of gratitude and deep respect to Senator Gloria Travis Tanner for her life achievements and service to the people of Colorado. I thank her for her service to Colorado, our Nation, and I wish her the best in her future endeavors.●

2017 IDAHO HOMETOWN HERO MEDALISTS

● Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, today I wish to honor the 2017 Idaho Hometown Hero Medalists.

Members of Idaho communities nominate their fellow community members for the Idaho Hometown Hero Medal. The medal honors individuals who are extraordinarily dedicated to hard work, self-improvement, and community service. Drs. Fahim and Naeem Rahim established the Idaho Hometown Hero Medal in 2011 to recognize outstanding Idahoans working for the betterment of our communities.

Ten Idahoans working in various fields are 2017 Hometown Hero Medal recipients, and I understand that this year special emphasis is being placed on those who “Overcome Adversity” as the 2017 theme of the awards. Century High School principal Sheryl Brockett, of Pocatello, is being honored for her two decades of dedicated service to educating youth in which she also led her school to excel in providing educational opportunities. Dr. Jacob DeLaRosa, a cardiothoracic surgeon from Pocatello, overcame significant

injuries from a car accident to walk again, continue providing surgical care, and significantly contribute to the community by expanding area surgical operations. Lee Hammett, president of the board of directors for the Community Dinner Table, is being recognized for his extensive work to reduce hunger and loneliness and helping to bridge cultural and religious differences in Bingham County. Owner of Barrie’s Ski and Sports Store Barrie Bennett Hunt, of Pocatello, received the medal for helping to provide others with quality access to the outdoors, inspiring active lifestyles, and giving considerably to his community, while also overcoming serious health challenges.

Executive director of the Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence Kelly Miller, of Boise, is a statewide leader in ending violence and has made a considerable difference in assisting Idaho families. Manager of Morgan Construction Matt Morgan, of Idaho Falls, is honored for his courageous voice in helping advance awareness of the sexual abuse of children and his support of others who have faced child abuse, such as he did. His efforts include founding “Building Hope Today.” World War II veteran Anton Newman served in the U.S. Army, assisting with recovery after the Hiroshima bombing, has farmed in Cambridge, and continues to be actively involved in the community encouraging and inspiring others while overcoming considerable health challenges. Retired U.S. Army COL Craig W. Nickisch, of Chubbuck, served our Nation with distinction in Central America, Europe, and Southeast Asia and continues to serve others in various roles locally and internationally. Shoshone-Bannock Tribe member and the Tribe’s public affairs manager Randy L Teton overcame adversity to reach educational goals and has encouraged Native American education, helping educate others about the Shoshone-Bannock Tribe’s history, culture, government, and economic projects. Eric Thomas, of Fremont County, has not let his disability and multiple health concerns stand in the way of him assisting others as an active member of Fremont County Search and Rescue for the past nearly 30 years.

These 10 remarkable Idahoans are now counted among the 66 Idahoans recognized through the Hometown Hero Award since its inception and the countless service-focused Idahoans who have not yet been honored but give immeasurably every day. I thank the Rahims, the award’s committee members, the cosponsors, volunteers, and other organizations supporting this honor for their work to shine a spotlight on exceptionalism in our communities.

Joining in recognizing the good works of Idaho’s Hometown Heroes is an honor. I also thank the award recipients for leading by example in our communities. You may never know

how many others you inspire to go above and beyond in assisting others and improving our communities, but there is no doubt you are leaving a lasting, positive mark in many lives. Congratulations to the 2017 Hometown Hero Award recipients on your achievements, and thank you for your efforts to better our communities.●

TRIBUTE TO RUSTY TALBOT

● Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, this month, I am proud to recognize Rusty Talbot, of Sugar Hill, NH, as our Granite Stater of the Month for his dedication to supporting our vibrant North Country communities.

As the founder and owner of the North Country Climbing Center, Rusty and his wife have built a small business that has been described as an “inclusive community,” where he strives to create a welcoming environment for both experienced climbers and beginners. He has worked diligently to engage with various organizations throughout the community, like the Adaptive Sports Partners of the North Country, which empowers individuals who experience disabilities to experience rock climbing.

Rusty is also involved with local business and entrepreneurship groups, including the Franconia Notch Regional Chamber of Commerce, the North of the Notch Young Professionals Network, the Littleton Rotary Club, and the Bethlehem Colonial Theatre. His commitment to supporting the local economy and other small businesses, in addition to his own successful climbing center, earned him Stay Work Play’s Young Professional of the Year award. As New Hampshire continues to work to attract young people, his nominator noted that Rusty has “reminded us why we chose to live and play in northern New Hampshire.”

In addition to running his business, Rusty also dedicates his time to the Sugar Hill Fire Department, where he is a volunteer firefighter, and the Pemigewasset Valley Search and Rescue Team, for which he is a lieutenant. Earlier this year, Rusty participated in the successful search and rescue effort for a hiker who had been missing in the White Mountain National Forest for days before he was found. In describing his motivation for volunteering for these critical public safety entities, Rusty says, “In this community, people help each other. Not because it’s required or because it’s our job to do so, but because we are all in this together.” That pervasive sense of selflessness and community solidarity is what makes the Granite State unique.

Throughout New Hampshire, citizens just like Rusty give back to their community, look out for their neighbors, and do what they can to help make our beautiful State a stronger place so we can all grow and thrive together. Rusty embodies the all-hands-on-deck spirit that we all strive to fulfill, and I am honored to recognize him as our Granite Stater of the Month for October.●

REMEMBERING FREDERICK AND AMY CAMPBELL

• Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I rise today to honor two titans of military and community service, who will be laid to rest forever in Arlington National Cemetery.

Frederick Hollister Campbell and Amy Strohm Campbell were, together, a force to be reckoned with.

Fred served the United States in the Marine Corps during World War II, the Korean war and the Vietnam war—one of only 46,000 Americans to fight in three wars. Fred was a member of the American Legion Post 27 in Missoula, MT.

Amy earned a master's degree and began a teaching career during a time when few women did either. She became active in the Navy-Marine Corps Wives, Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Philanthropic Educational Organization and was a life member of both the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion Auxiliaries.

At the Battle of Iwo Jima, Fred dug trenches while taking heavy Japanese fire from the mountains above. His bravery saved the lives of 250 of his fellow marines and earned him the Navy Commendation Medal. He fought in the Battle of Okinawa and was a part of the reconstruction effort in Japan after the war ended. Fred picked up the language and enjoyed friendships with the locals, spurred on by a shared love of stamp collecting.

During law school, Fred was selected for officer's candidate school. His transition from private to officer earned him the informal title of a mustang in military circles. Fred reenlisted for Active Duty to serve in the Korean war.

It was during this period of service that he met Amy on a blind date at a square dance.

They danced through life together for 61 years. The life they built brought them a treasured daughter, Susan, and many trips to Europe and one voyage through the Panama Canal.

Fred continued his career as an attorney for the Marine Corps, and his service culminated with a third enlistment during which he served in Vietnam. He retired from the U.S. Marines as a lieutenant colonel after 25 years, 2 months, and 17 days. Amy and Susan were able to fill a large shadowbox of Fred's medals as a gift for his 85th birthday.

Fred and Amy didn't slow down once they hit retirement. Fred earned a Ph.D. in American history at the age of 73. He taught at Colorado College and the University of Colorado for 13 years. Amy continued her involvement in service and military organizations in Colorado, Montana, and California.

Fred and Amy enriched the lives of friends, family, and strangers alike. Now, they will rest forever in Arlington near the statue commemorating the battle of Iwo Jima, where Fred proved his mettle by saving 250 fellow marines' lives 72 years ago.

It is my honor to present their story today.

On behalf of a grateful nation, I commend Lt. Col. Frederick Hollister Campbell and Amy Strohm Campbell for their lives of service to our Nation.●

TRIBUTE TO REVEREND DR. JONATHAN L. WEAVER

• Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize and congratulate Rev. Dr. Jonathan L. Weaver, pastor of the Greater Mt. Nebo African Methodist Episcopal Church, on his 30th pastoral anniversary. Since 1988, Reverend Weaver has served with vision and distinction and has dedicated himself to empowering his parishioners and people throughout our community.

Reverend Weaver is an outstanding example of what it means to be engaged in a community. Under his leadership, the Greater Mt. Nebo African Methodist Episcopal Church has initiated numerous innovative programs on critical issues, including domestic violence prevention, economic empowerment, and anti-hunger. In addition, Reverend Weaver's sense of community transcends the borders of the United States. He has led mission trips to Africa, engaging in medical mission projects in Rwanda and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Reverend Weaver currently serves as national president of the Collective Empowerment Group, Inc., CEG, an ecumenical association comprised of nearly 500 churches across the country. CEG engages in economic empowerment initiatives focused on financial literacy, education, healthcare, homeownership preservation, and public safety through partnerships with banks and other businesses in their communities.

In 2015, Reverend Weaver became board chairman of Industrial Bank, an organization that has been recognized for its contributions to the growth and development of the greater Washington, DC, metropolitan area since 1934. He holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Washington University in St. Louis, MO, and an MBA from Harvard University. Reverend Weaver has been married to Pamela Weaver for 30 years and has two children, Jamie Davis and Megan Holland, and four grandchildren.

Over the last 30 years, Reverend Weaver has personified the Greater Mt. Nebo African Methodist Episcopal Church's traditions of service and leadership. I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing our deepest gratitude and appreciation to Reverend Weaver for his 30 years of service to the Greater Mt. Nebo African Methodist Episcopal Church and to our community.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Cuccia, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:54 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 504. An act to permanently authorize the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Travel Card Program.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3328. An act to require a study regarding security measures and equipment at Cuba's airports, require the standardization of Federal Air Marshal Service agreements, require efforts to raise international aviation security standards, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3551. An act to amend the Security and Accountability for Every Port Act of 2006 to reauthorize the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism Program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4010. An act to amend the Revised Statutes of the United States and title 28, United States Code, to enhance compliance with requests for information pursuant to legislative power under Article I of the Constitution, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4038. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to reassert article I authorities over the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 12:13 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 190. An act to provide for consideration of the extension under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of nonapplication of No-Load Mode energy efficiency standards to certain security or life safety alarms or surveillance systems, and for other purposes.

S. 585. An act to provide greater whistleblower protections for Federal employees, increased awareness of Federal whistleblower protections, and increased accountability and required discipline for Federal supervisors who retaliate against whistleblowers, and for other purposes.

S. 920. An act to establish a National Clinical Care Commission.

S. 1617. An act to designate the checkpoint of the United States Border Patrol located on United States Highway 77 North in Sarita, Texas, as the "Javier Vega, Jr. Border Patrol Checkpoint".

H.R. 1616. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the National Computer Forensics Institute, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2989. An act to establish the Frederick Douglass Bicentennial Commission.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).